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\$4,000 Settlement Reached with Ecology Control Industries

Los Angeles - - The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced a \$4,000 settlement with Ecology Control Industries (ECI) for hazardous waste violations at its facility at 13738 Slover Avenue in Fontana. ECI is engaged in excavating and cleaning underground hazardous waste storage tanks.

Under terms of the Consent Order (Order) signed on December 26, 2003, ECI will pay a total penalty of \$4,000, of which \$2,000 is an administrative penalty and \$2,000 is reimbursement of costs incurred by DTSC. A copy of the Order, which formalizes the settlement, is available on the DTSC Web site at www.dtsc.ca.gov.

The settlement stems from violations noted during an April 28, 2003 inspection of the ECI facility. DTSC inspectors cited ECI for failure to provide annual refresher training to three of its hazardous waste employees.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.